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Submission No. 15-260
December 29, 2015

Mr. Christopher J. Kirkpatrick
Secretary of the Commission
Office of the Secretariat
Commodity Futures Trading Commission
Three Lafayette Centre
1155 21st Street, NW
Washington, DC 20581

**Re: Notification of Temporary Market Interruption
Submission Pursuant to Section 5c(c)(1) of the Act and Regulation 40.6**

Dear Mr. Kirkpatrick:

Pursuant to Section 5c(c)(1) of the Commodity Exchange Act, as amended, and Commission Regulation 40.6(a), ICE Futures U.S., Inc. (“IFUS” or the “Exchange”) submits notification to the Commission that, due to a system issue, the Exchange’s Cash Settled U.S. Agricultural contracts did not open for trading at its normal time, 8:00PM ET, on Monday, December 28, 2015. After notifications were sent to market participants alerting them to the delayed open, the affected markets were opened at 8:35PM ET.

The actions described above were taken in accordance with Rule 6.02(a), which provides that “[i]n the event the physical functions of the Exchange are . . . adversely affected by a ‘Physical Emergency’, such as. . . computer malfunction, screen-based trading system breakdown... the Vice President, Operations of ICE may take any action which, in the opinion of such officer is necessary or appropriate to deal with the computer malfunction or screen-based trading system disruption in accordance with Exchange procedures relating to such business disruptions. The Exchange’s conflict of interest rules were not invoked because no person with a position in Exchange contracts was involved in the decision making process.

The Exchange certifies that the actions relating to the delayed open comply with the requirements of the Commodity Exchange Act and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder. The Exchange further certifies that concurrent with this filing, a copy of this submission was posted on the Exchange’s website, which may be accessed at (<https://www.theice.com/futures-us/regulation#rule-filings>).

If you have any questions or need further information, please contact me at 212-748-4021 or at jason.fusco@theice.com.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jason V. Fusco". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the end.

Jason V. Fusco
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Market Regulation

cc: Division of Market Oversight
New York Regional Office